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C O N F I D E N T I A L USBERLIN 876

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: CASC, PFOR, PINR, GE, WB (ULLRICH, ALVIN RAY)

SUBJECT: GDR RECRUITMENT ATTEMPT OF AMCIT IN GDR

HUMANITARIAN CASE

REF: USBERLIN 1852 OF 10/15/75 (NOTAL), PARA 4

1. SUMMARY: IN LATE APRIL 1975, ALVIN RAY ULLRICH CALLED AT MISSION TO BRING US UP TO DATE ON HIS ENDEAVORS MARRY EAST GERMAN FIANCEE AND TO ADVISE THAT HE HAD BEEN OBJECT OF RECRUITMENT APPROACH BY GDR SECURITY OFFICIALS.

END SUMMARY.

2. SUBSEQUENT TO DISPATCH REFTTEL, ULLRICH OBTAINED EMPLOYMENT WITH USAF AT TEMPELHOF AIRPORT AS EQUIPMENT OPERATOR, NOTWITHSTANDING FACT THAT HE FULLY BRIEFED AIR FORCE ON HIS TRAVELS TO GDR TO VISIT HIS FIANCEE, GISELA DIETERICH.

3. ON APRIL 16, 1975, HIS FIANCEE WAS CONTACTED BY REPRESENTATIVE OF GDR MINISTRY OF INTERIOR WHO ASKED HER TO ARRANGE A MEETING WITH ULLRICH IN EAST BERLIN ON APRIL 24. AFTER FIRST TOUCHING BASE WITH MISSION, ULLRICH DECIDED TO ATTEND MEETING TO LEARN PURPOSE OF INTERVIEW, WHICH TURNED OUT TO BE BLATANT ATTEMPT AT
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RECRUITMENT -- CO-OPERATION, PRESUMABLY WITH MFS, IN

RETURN FOR PROMISE THAT ULLRICH'S FIANCEE COULD
OBTAIN EXIT PERMIT IN "TWO YEARS."

4. NEXT DAY, ULLRICH BRIEFED MISSION OFFICER ON
HIS MEETING, STATING THAT HE WOULD CONTINUE TO MEET GDR
OFFICIALS IF REQUESTED AND IF HE RECEIVED GUIDANCE ON
HOW TO CONDUCT HIMSELF. HE ALSO ADVISED THAT A FURTHER
MEETING WAS SCHEDULED FOR MAY 4. ON APRIL 30, MISSION
OFFICER AFTER CONSULTING WITH APPROPRIATE US AGENCIES INFORMED
ULLRICH THERE WAS NO INTEREST IN HIS CONTINUED MEETINGS WITH GDR
OFFICIALS AND OUR ADVICE WOULD BE TO BREAK IT OFF: HE WAS
ASKED TO KEEP US INFORMED.

ON MAY 4, ULLRICH SENT LETTER TO MISSION REPORTING THAT
HE HAD GONE TO MEETING THAT DAY AND HAD TOLD GDR OFFICIALS
HE COULD NOT AND WOULD NOT WORK FOR THEM OFFICIALS TOLD
ULLRICH TO LET THEM KNOW IF HE CHANGED HIS MIND OR IF
HE COULD FIND SOMEONE ELSE INTERESTED IN COOPERATING
WITH THEM.

6. COMMENT: ULLRICH HAS MADE HONEST IMPRESSION ON
MISSION OFFICERS WHO INTERVIEWED HIM. HE APPEARS TO BE
ABOVE BOARD AND, WHILE HE OF COURSE URGENTLY
WANTS TO GET HIS FIANCEE OUT OF GDR (SHE IS NOW CARRYING HIS
CHILD), HE CLEARLY STATED HE WISHES TO COOPERATE WITH USG AND NOT
DO ANYTHING INIMICAL TO HIS COUNTRY'S INTERESTS. GEORGE

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